The following Message Viz:t

By the Lower House of Assembly September 28:th 1765 May it Please you Honours L. H. J. Liber No. 52 Sept. 28

It not having been usual for Ordinances to be returned from your House to ours after Assented to by you we herewith return the Ordinance you sent us that the proceedings thereon may be as usual Signed p Order M: Macnemara Clk Lower House

Was sent to the upper House with the Ordinance by M. Baker and M. Gibson

M: Ringgold from the Committee Appointed brings in and de- p. 258 livers to M. Speaker an Address to the Governor which was Approved and Ordered to be Ingrossed

M: Murdock bring in and delivers to M. Speaker the following Ingrossed Address Viz:

To His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq: Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of Maryland

The Humble Address of the House of Delegates

May it please your Excellency

We His Majestys most dutiful and Loyal Subjects the Delegates of the Freemen of the Province of Maryland in Assembly Convened return your Excellency our thanks for your Speech at the Opening of this Session and beg leave to Assure you that the Opportunity you Excellency has now afforded us of promoting the true Interest of our Country is Extremely Agreeable to us

As we have thought it our indispensible Duty to our Constituents at this time to appoint a Committee of some of our Members to join Committees from the Houses of Representatives of other Colonies on the Continent who are to meet at the City of New York on the first Tuesday in October next in Order to Join in a General and United dutifull loyal and Humble Representation to his Majesty and the British Parliament of the Circumstances and Condition of the British Colonies and Plantations and to Implore relief against some acts of Parliament we are informed are lately passed in England Whereby it is Apprehended the Libertys of the Colonies will be Greatly Abridged which with the matters Necessarily relative to and Dependant upon it wherein we have met with some very unexpected delays has so wholly Engrossed our Attention that we have not yet even Settled any of our Ordinary Rules for proceeding. We cannot doubt but we shall stand Excused for being thus late in Answering your Excellencys Speech and having now very nearly Compleated that Affair And as the next month will be Chiefly taken up in Adjourn'd County Courts by which means several of our other Members must be taken from the Business of the Houses, or Great Numbers Suffer much by their Suits Continuing Open at this time